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In re Patent Application of: Ganga R. Gokaraju et al.

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 31, 2008, Applicants provisionally elect Group I, Claims 1-5, 12-16 and 19, drawn to a double salt of formula I. The foregoing election is made without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims. Applicants also reserve the right to rejoin any applicable claims.

Dated: February 18, 2008 Respectfully submitted,

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